
Who Are the Uninsured in Wisconsin?

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Madison, Wisconsin

A Health Policy, Research and Information Sharing Conference
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Department of Health and Family Services

AGENDA

8:00 - 8:30 **Registration**

8:30 - 8:45 **Welcome and Conference Overview**

Phyllis J. Dubé, Secretary, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services

8:45-9:15 **Keynote Address**

Margaret A. Farrow, Lieutenant Governor, State of Wisconsin

9:15 -10:10 **Session I: Health Care Marketplace**

Peggy B. Handrich, Administrator, Division of Health Care Financing, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services

Guenther H. Ruch, Administrator, Division of Regulation and Enforcement, Office of the Commissioner of Insurance

10:10-10:30 **Break**

10:30-11:45 **Session II: Summary of Findings – Insured and Uninsured Individuals and Families in Wisconsin**

Moderator: Cheryl McIlquham, Division of Health Care Financing, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services

Eleanor Cautley, Division of Health Care Financing, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services – “*Profile of the Insured and Uninsured in Wisconsin*”

Joanne T. Simpson, Division of Health Care Financing, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services - “*Barriers to Accessing Health Insurance Coverage: Findings from Focus Groups and Surveys with Wisconsin Residents*”

Karen Holden Ph.D., La Follette School of Public Affairs, University of Wisconsin Madison – “*Health Insurance Coverage and Healthcare Utilization in Wisconsin*”

11:45 - 12:45 **Lunch**

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12:45 - 2:00 **Session III – Summary of Findings: Employer Based Coverage in Wisconsin**

Moderator: Amie Goldman, Innovative Resource Group

Edward Neuschler, Institute for Health Policy Solutions - *“A Profile of Employer Coverage in Wisconsin”*

Russell Pederson, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Family Services - *“Early Findings from the Family Health Survey on Employer-Based Coverage in Wisconsin”*

Rafe Forland, Institute for Health Policy Solutions – *“Employer and Employee Interview and Focus Group Results”*

A.B. Orlik, Office of Private Employer Health Care Coverage, Department of Employee Trust Funds – *“Health Insurance Pooled Purchasing: Prospects for Wisconsin”*

2:00 - 2:20 **Break**

2:20 - 4:30 **Session IV: Policy Options to Expand Coverage - A National Perspective and Challenges for Wisconsin**

Moderator: David Kindig M.D., Ph.D., Co-Director, Wisconsin Public Health and Health Policy Institute, Department of Preventive Medicine, University of Wisconsin Medical School

Panel members:

- George Lightbourn, Secretary (or Designee), Wisconsin Department of Administration
- The Honorable David Obey (or Designee), United States Congress
- Eric Borgerding, Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce
- David Riemer, Department of Administration, City of Milwaukee
- Bill G. Smith, National Federation of Independent Business - Wisconsin
- Claire Johnson, Group Health Cooperative
- The Honorable Peggy Rosenzweig, Wisconsin State Senate

4:30 - 4:45 **Wrap-up**

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